My wife and I are both airline pilots. We also travel as passengers
on many occasions both on business and getting back and forth to
work assignments. It's annoying enough to put up with the arrogance
of individuals in todays time. We have to be interrupted by them in
resturants, hotels and any other place they feel they are so self
important and can't wait 5 minutes to use their phone in private.
We also have to tolerate them on the highways where most are
extremely unsafe since they are not capable of multi-tasking and
need to stop to talk and not continue to drive and make the roads
more dangerous to the rest of us. The travel onboard and airplane
is presently uncomfortable, crowded and not very peaceful as it is.
Most of us enjoy the peace of a short nap if we possibly can by
putting in ear plugs to drown out the hubub of the traveling
public. So please do not allow what little peace we may have to be
interrupted by a bunch of self serving, self important people who
think rules aren't for them anyway have access to a darn phone. I
realize the airlines are trying to make money but not with this
type of access. As of now it's breaking the law if someone tries to
use a phone at the improper time. I have on many occasions had to
tell someone to turn off their phone. Don't make this worse. I and
many others don't pay for tickets to travel and have to put up with
the constant babbling of others who's conversation we are not
interested in, most of which are not necessary anyway. No one is
that damned important. I for one could be very tempted to take the
thing away and toss it in the toilet.
Thank You,
William Mullis, Capt, FedEx.